

# CHURCHES TOGETHER IN FARNHAM

## April 2015 E-News

*Please publicise the items below - and forward to editors for inclusion in church magazines, newsletters and service sheets. Also let us know about YOUR forthcoming events and activities - email to [web@ct-farnham.org.uk](mailto:web@ct-farnham.org.uk)*

**Dear Church Leaders, CTF Representatives, Associates and other Friends**

A very happy and blessed Easter to you all!

After the profound and inspiring events of Holy Week and Easter, I am striking a rather secular note by pointing out that a Hustings for the forthcoming General Election is scheduled for the Friday after Easter - Friday 10th April. Some of you may remember that in the past Churches Together in Farnham have hosted these events; this time, perhaps more appropriately, it is being organised by Farnham Maltings, with CTF offering administrative support. A poster is attached to this mailing - I apologise for the rather short notice.

With very best wishes and Easter greetings

**Andrew Partridge - Secretary, Churches Together in Farnham**

### NOTICES -

**GOOD FRIDAY WALK OF WITNESS** – please join in this important act of Christian witness – full details in [DIARY](#) (below).

**'HE IS RISEN'** – celebrate the Resurrection with music - in Gostrey Meadow on Easter Sunday afternoon – full details in [DIARY](#) (below).

**FARNHAM GENERAL ELECTION HUSTINGS** – This is our opportunity to hear from and question all the candidates – At Farnham Maltings on 10<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm. Admission free **but ticket required** obtainable from Farnham Maltings – submit your questions in advance – see attached poster with full details.

**VOLUNTEERS WANTED FOR CHRISTIAN AID WEEK COLLECTION** – Karen Fewster (Chair) writes: 'We need more volunteers so please join us and answer Jesus' call to help people in need. If you can help with the envelopes or the collection at the station on weekday mornings during Christian Aid Week, (10<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> May) please get in touch. Just an hour of your time is all we need (more if you can). email : [karenfew@gmail.com](mailto:karenfew@gmail.com) phone: 07977 561567 – full details of Christian Aid Week on CTF website [www.churchestogether.org/farnham](http://www.churchestogether.org/farnham) .

**GREETINGS TO NEW PRIEST** – Father Robin Farrow, of the Roman Catholic Parishes of Holy Angels, Ash, and Holy Family, Heath End, was ordained at St Joseph's Church, Guildford, on 19<sup>th</sup> March by Archbishop Peter Smith.

**NEW TIME FOR CTF MONTHLY PRAYER MEETING from May** – Please note that the starting time of our monthly ecumenical Prayer Meetings will change from 10.30 to **11am from May onwards**. To fit in with the later starting time, hot drinks and biscuits will be served before instead of after the session of reflective readings, prayers and intercessions. The Prayer Meetings are held at St Joan's Centre, Tilford Road, on the third Tuesday of each month. Everyone is welcome – just turn up! **This month's (April) meeting will still begin at 10.30am as before.** *Would Editors please amend notices of this meeting published in church magazines and newsletters to the new time of 11am from May issues onward? - Thank you.*

**DAIRY** – Some special events in the next few weeks. Go to the CTF website [www.churchestogether.org/farnham](http://www.churchestogether.org/farnham) for more details of these and other church events, including posters to download for your noticeboard.

**MAUNDY THURSDAY 2nd April** – **Evening Services with Maundy ceremonies and vigil** – check with individual churches for details.

**GOOD FRIDAY 3rd April – 11.45am** - **CTF Walk of Witness through Farnham** – assemble at the top of The Hart (next to Waitrose car park) to follow the Cross in silent procession through the streets of the town, ending in the churchyard of St Andrew's with prayers and a hymn. Open to all – please take part.

**GOOD FRIDAY, HOLY SATURDAY AND EASTER DAY, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> April** – special services, including **Solemn Liturgy of the Word** and **Easter Vigil** – check with individual churches for details.

**EASTER AFTERNOON - Sunday 5th April – 2.30pm till 4pm - Gostrey Meadow - 'He is Risen' - musical celebration of the Resurrection for all ages** - following morning worship in our individual churches, everyone is invited to join musicians from Farnham Pentecostal Church and other churches at the bandstand for an afternoon of praise, thanksgiving and fun.

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April – 7.30pm - Farnham Maltings - General Election Hustings** – admission free but ticket required, obtainable from Farnham Maltings. Submit questions to Farnham Maltings in advance. See attached poster for full details.

**Tuesday 14th April – 1.10pm - St Andrew's Church – Music While You Munch** - Enjoy listening to organ music while eating your lunch. This month's soloist is William Nisbet. There is no charge for these monthly concerts. Donations welcome.

**Tuesday 14th April - 1.10pm - Farnham United Reformed Church - Music at Lunchtime** - Sarah Douglas *clarinet*; Amy Wakefield *piano*. Free admission - retiring collection.

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April – 12.30pm – Centenary Rooms at St Thomas-on-The Bourne - Eat and Speak Light Lunch**- Jan Herbert will be speaking on 'Life as a Bishop's Wife'. Tickets £5 from Gail Kylie (714709) or Yvonne Bryant on (713671). All welcome.

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April – 3pm – Farnham Methodist Church – Farnham ASSIST Silver Service for older people** – followed by tea with home-made cakes.

**Saturday - 18<sup>th</sup> April – 7 for 7.30pm – St George's Church Hall, Badshot Lea – Badshot Lea and Hale Social Committee Fun Quiz Night** - £6 per person. For tickets contact 338540 or email [c.grafham@allhallows.net](mailto:c.grafham@allhallows.net).

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April – 3pm - St Joan's Centre – The Chase Singers 'Music with a Floral Theme'** – followed by tea and cake – in aid of St Joan's Restoration Fund - Tickets £6 - Please call 725057

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April – 10.30am - St Joan's Centre, Tilford Road – CTF Monthly Prayer Meeting** – reflective readings, prayer and intercessions – followed by refreshments – note that the starting time will change to 11am from NEXT MONTH (May).

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